REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration for the present application based on the above claim amendments and the following remarks.

In the office action, Claims 1, 4, 6, 9, 12, 14, 15, 17 and 19 were objected to as containing certain informalities. Claims 1-3, 5, 8, 9-11, 13 and 16-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,014,374 to Paneth et al. Claims 4, 6, 7, 12, 14, 15 and 19 were further objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant notes that the cover page of the office action lists Claim 19 among the claims objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim. The body of the office action, however, does not reflect that Claim 19 stands objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim. Thus, because Claim 19 was objected to on the cover page, and the Examiner did not otherwise reject Claim 19 in the body of the office action, Applicant will proceed based on the assumption that the Examiner intended to object to Claim 19 as being dependent on a rejected base claim. If this understanding is incorrect, however, Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned representative to clarify what was intended in the office action.

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Allowable Subject Matter

In the office action, the Examiner indicated that Claims 4, 6, 7, 12, 14, 15 and 19 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. To expedite prosecution, Applicant has accordingly cancelled Claims 4, 6, 7, 12, 14, 15 and 19 and re-presented those claims, including the limitations of their respective base claims and intervening claims, as new Claims 20 – 26 respectively.

Informalities

Applicant has herein amended Claims 1, 9 and 17 to spell out that "ECP" is an Executive Cellular Processor and that "OMP/ECP" is an Operations and Management Platform/Executive Cellular Processor. Applicant submits that corresponding amendments involving these informalities are also reflected in re-presented Claims 21, 24 and 25.

Applicant was unable to detect an informality in Claim 15 and as such has made no changes to re-presented Claim 22.

Also, Applicant respectfully submits that there were no informalities in Claims 4 and 12, and likewise there are no informalities in re-presented Claims 20 and 23. The names "cell2, ceqcom2, ceqface, ceqsu2, ctm, dcch, ecp, fci, resel and tpptm," as set forth in Claims 20 and 23 are the proper names of those respective forms in a

Lucent system. Thus, it is not possible to spell out these names in greater detail.

Claims 1, 9 and 17

Applicant traverses the rejections of Claims 1, 9 and 17 as follows. Applicant submits that Paneth does not disclose, teach or suggest all of the features of amended Claims 1, 9 and 17. *See* MPEP § 2142 (a *prima facie* case of obviousness under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) requires, among other things, that the cited references, when combined, teach or suggest every element of the claim). Applicant submits that Paneth fails to disclose, teach or suggest at least the following features of amended Claims 1, 9 and 17:

Applicant submits that Paneth does not disclose, teach or suggest "identifying as user input a Lucent Executive Cellular Processor (ECP) form and one or more fields associated with said form for which changes are desired," as recited in Claims 1, 9 and 17. Paneth discloses a logger module of a Remote-Control Processor Unit (RPU). (*See* Paneth col. 24, ln. 49-58, col. 32, ln. 6-19.) Applicant submits that Paneth's logger module is not a "Lucent Executive Cellular Processor (ECP)" form as recited in Claims 1, 9 and 17. Paneth's logger module is a functional unit of software that "is responsible for logging RPU events or messages." (*See* Paneth col. 32, ln. 6-11.)

Applicant submits that Paneth does not disclose, teach or suggest "generating a script to update said form," as recited in Claims 1, 9 and 17. Paneth

discloses, "subroutines in [its] database module to retrieve or update state information in the database." (*See* Paneth col. 32, ln. 34-38). Applicant submits that Paneth's subroutines are not equivalent to "generating a script to update said form," as recited in Claims 1, 9 and 17. Applicant submits that Paneth "utilizes subroutines in [its] database module," but does not disclose, teach or suggest "generating a script" as recited in Claims 1, 9 and 17. (*See* Paneth col. 32 ln. 34-38.)
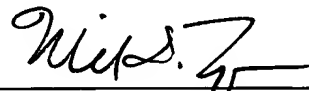
Claims 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16 and 18

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections of Claims 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16 and 18. Applicant submits that these claims are allowable by virtue of their dependence on independent Claims 1, 9 and 17, as well as on their own merits.

SUMMARY

Applicant respectfully requests issuance of a notice of allowance for the pending claims in the present application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that the present application is in condition for disposition other than allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative so that the Examiner's concerns may be expeditiously addressed.

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